



TO: United States Patent & Trademark Office  
August 21<sup>st</sup>, 2003

Sir/Madam,

With the following letter, I wish to inform you that I did received the publication notice regarding application #09/975,015 dated 04/17/2003 advising me that the patent will be published the same day. I thought at that moment that my invention was following the regular route and procedures.

Later on, I received to my surprise an Office Communication letter dated 05/07/2003 advising me that my patent was abandoned as I didn't respond within three (3) months to a letter sent/dated 03 october, 2002. I **never received that letter to my home.**

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In short, I never received from your office the letter dated 03 october, 2002 and ask you to withdraw the notice of abandonment immediately as per your procedures in place and send me back a copy of the said letter dated 03 october, 2002 so I can reply quickly in order to resolve the issue as soon as possible. **I do not wish to abandon my rights on this patent.**

That said, I already called and discussed this matter with Examiner M. James R. Brittain from the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office. If you require additional information, please let me know so I can fullfill rapidly the requirements of your agency in this case.

Thank you for your collaboration

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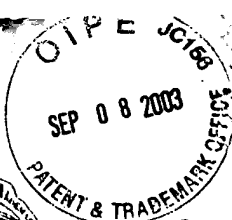
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